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"System and Methods for Material Management"

This new application is an original (nonprovisional) patent application.

Enclosed are:

- (a) One (1) Cover Page
- (b) Ten (10) total pages of Specification (pages 2-11) (including Background, Summary, and Description of the Drawings);
- (c) Six (6) pages of Claims (pages 12-17);
- (d) One (1) page Abstract of the Disclosure (page 18); and

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